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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MINDS, INC., TIM POOL, THE BABYLON BEE LLC, and
NATIONAL RELIGIOUS BROADCASTERS,

Plaintiff(s),

CASE NUMBER

2:23-cv-02705-RGK-MAA

v.

ROBERT A. BONTA, Attorney General of California, in his
official capacity,

Defendant(s),

APPLICATION OF NON-RESIDENT ATTORNEY
TO APPEAR IN A SPECIFIC CASE
PRO HAC VICE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

- (1) The attorney seeking to appear pro hac vice must complete Section I of this Application, personally sign, in ink, the certification in Section II, and have the designated Local Counsel sign in Section III. **ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES ARE NOT ACCEPTED.** Space to supplement responses is provided in Section IV. The applicant must also attach a Certificate of Good Standing (issued within the last 30 days) from every state bar to which he or she is admitted; failure to do so will be grounds for denying the Application. Scan the completed Application with its original ink signature, together with any attachment(s), to a single Portable Document Format (PDF) file. Filings => Applications/Ex Parte Applications/Motions/Petitions/Requests => Appear Pro Hac Vice (G-64"), attach a Proposed Order (using Form G-64 ORDER, available from the Court's website), and pay the required \$500 fee online at the time of filing (using a credit card). The fee is required for each case in which the applicant files an Application. Failure to pay the fee at the time of filing will be grounds for denying the Application. **Out-of-state federal government attorneys are not required to pay the \$500 fee.** (Certain attorneys for the United States are also exempt from the requirement of applying for pro hac vice status. See L.R. 83-2.1.4.) A copy of the G-64 ORDER in Word or WordPerfect format must be emailed to the generic chambers email address. L.R. 5-4.4.2.

SECTION I - INFORMATION

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I have been retained to represent the following parties:

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Name(s) of Party(ies) Represented

List all state and federal courts (including appellate courts) to which the applicant has been admitted, and provide the current status of his or her membership. Use Section IV if more room is needed, or to provide additional information.

Name of Court	Date of Admission	Active Member in Good Standing? (if not, please explain)
Washington State	10/27/1976	Yes
District of Columbia	1/29/1985	Yes
U. S. Supreme Court	Jan 1980	Yes

List all cases in which the applicant has applied to this Court for *pro hac vice* status in the previous three years (continue in Section IV if needed):

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Title of Action</u>	<u>Date of Application</u>	<u>Granted / Denied?</u>
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If any *pro hac vice* applications submitted within the past three (3) years have been denied by the Court, please explain:

Attorneys must be registered for the Court's electronic filing system to practice pro hac vice in this Court. Submission of this Application will constitute your registration (or re-registration) to use that system. If the Court signs an Order granting your Application, visit www.pacer.gov to complete the registration process and activate your e-filing privileges in the Central District of California.

SECTION II - CERTIFICATION

I declare under penalty of perjury that:

- (1) All of the above information is true and correct.
- (2) I am not a resident of the State of California. I am not regularly employed in, or engaged in substantial business, professional, or other activities in the State of California.
- (3) I am not currently suspended from and have never been disbarred from practice in any court.
- (4) I am familiar with the Court's Local Civil and Criminal Rules, the Federal Rules of Civil and Criminal Procedure, and the Federal Rules of Evidence.
- (5) I designate the attorney listed in Section III below, who is a member in good standing of the Bar of this Court and maintains an office in the Central District of California for the practice of law, in which the attorney is physically present on a regular basis to conduct business, as local counsel pursuant to Local Rule 83-2.1.3.4.

Dated 5/22/23

Michael P. Farris

Applicant's Name (please type or print)

Applicant's Signature Michael P. Farris

SECTION III - DESIGNATION OF LOCAL COUNSEL

Gates, Sean P.

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I hereby consent to the foregoing designation as local counsel, and declare under penalty of perjury that I maintain an office in the Central District of California for the practice of law, in which I am physically present on a regular basis to conduct business.

Dated 5-26-23

Sean P. Gates

Designee's Name (please type or print)

*Designee's Signature*SECTION IV - SUPPLEMENT ANSWERS HERE (ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY)

Additional Federal Courts with Admission Date:

US District Court for the District of Columbia (admitted in March 1985; Bar No. 385969)
 United States Courts of Appeals for the District of Columbia (April 1996)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces (March 1996)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (December 1993)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (January 1988)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit (August 1987)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (May 1987)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (April 1984)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit (September 1983)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (May 1984)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit (April 2003)
 U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (April 2005)
 Eastern District Court of Washington State (November 1976)
 Western District Court of Washington State (April 1979)
 U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska (May 1983)
 U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado (August 2016)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

)	
)	IN THE MATTER OF THE ADMISSION
)	
)	OF
)	
)	MICHAEL P. FARRIS
)	
)	TO PRACTICE IN THE COURTS OF THIS STATE
)	
)	GOOD STANDING

I, Sarah R. Pendleton, Deputy Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of Washington, hereby
certify

MICHAEL P. FARRIS

was regularly admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor at Law in the Supreme Court and all the
Courts of the State of Washington on October 27, 1976, and is now and has continuously since that date
been an attorney in good standing, and has a current status of active.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and affixed
the seal of this Court on the 16th day of
May, 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Sarah R. Pendleton".

Sarah R. Pendleton
Supreme Court Deputy Clerk
Washington State Supreme Court



*On behalf of JULIO A. CASTILLO, Clerk of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals,
the District of Columbia Bar does hereby certify that*

Michael P Farris

*was duly qualified and admitted on January 29, 1985 as an attorney and counselor entitled to
practice before this Court; and is, on the date indicated below, an Active member in good
standing of this Bar.*



Issued By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Chu", is written over the printed name and title of the Director of Membership.

*David Chu - Director, Membership
District of Columbia Bar Membership*

***For questions or concerns, please contact the D.C. Bar Membership Office at 202-626-3475 or email
memberservices@dcbar.org.***